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Attorney General John Ashcroft
U.S. Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

I write this letter to express my opinion regarding the antitrust suit against Microsoft. I support the settlement and the conclusion of the federal involvement in the suit. Continued litigation would have resulted the eventual destruction of Microsoft, thus causing detrimental effects on the progress of technology and the economy in the country. It is necessary that further litigation is prevented, and this settlement is implemented.

The settlement will help taxpayers and consumers save on taxes and costs of technology. It directs Microsoft to provide information regarding the various interfaces of its Windows operating system. Microsoft has also agreed not retaliate against computer makers that may ship software that would compete with Windows.

I urge you to realize the necessity for the conclusion of this case. It has been a suit that has created a state of ambiguity within the technology field. It is imperative that you stop all federal action and confirm the settlement.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Shane Cosby'.

Shane Cosby
Partner



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